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CONSTRUCTION OF PARKING LOTS GETS UNDERWAY



With bulldozers, dirt movers, and grading machines clearing the way for the black topping that is to follow, sections of the campus are being cleared away and leveled to grade for the thirteen parking areas being constructed on the campus.

Pictured above is a bulldozer leveling the mounds on the north and east side of the drive that goes by Caldwell Hall and Warren Easton Hall. Many persons have bemoaned the fact that the "Indian Mounds" are being removed. They have been of the opinion that these mounds are Indian in origin, but the fact is these are not Indian mounds at all. The original hill, on which Caldwell Hall is constructed, once extended out beyond the present terraces. In order to save the trees that were growing there, when a driveway was built by Caldwell Hall, the dirt surrounding the base of the trees was left there in the form of mounds. The remainder of the dirt was moved and used to level up the grounds between the so-called Indian mounds and the railroad tracks. Had these been real "Indian Mounds," they would have been preserved, parking space or no parking space.

In addition to the parking areas being constructed, Sibley Drive will be extended to the Many Highway. Present plans call for the driveway to pass by the Home Economics Practice Cottage and intersect the main highway near "D" Frame building. This drive will permit traffic from the west to enter the campus and drive directly to the Men's Gymnasium or the football stadium for basketball and football games.

Former Dean of Women Passes Away

Dr. Kathleen I. Gillard, former Dean of Women at the College, passed away in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, on April 9, following a short illness.

Dr. Gillard, whose home was in Michigan, came to Northwestern State as Dean of Women from Cape Girardeau, Missouri. She was Dean of Women at Southeast Missouri State College prior to accepting the position at N. S. C.

She served as Dean of Women here at the College for approximately two years, resigning the position at the end of the 1954 session.

Two Seniors Awarded Fellowships

Two graduating seniors have been awarded fellowships for graduate study in mathematics at Florida State University and the University of Oklahoma beginning this fall semester.

The two seniors receiving these fellowships are Clyde Fulton, Jr., of West Monroe, and Fred B. Hoff, Jr., of Little Rock, Arkansas.

Fulton will attend Florida State University at Tallahassee, while Hoff will do his graduate work at the University of Oklahoma at Norman. Fulton is a mathematics major, while Hoff has a major in both physics and mathematics.

Fulton was recently initiated into Phi Kappa Phi, National Honorary Scholastic Fraternity at Northwestern State. Hoff is a former member of the College swimming team, having won a number of titles in diving competition.

Last year, Norma Gene Harrison of Lake Charles was awarded a fellowship to Florida State University, and John W. Drane of Forest went to University of Florida. Both received mathematics fellowships.

Purple Jackets Call 16 New Members

The Purple Jackets, honorary service organization on the campus whose membership is limited to twenty-one, called 16 new members this month at their annual installation. Selected on the basis of scholarship, character, and service to the College, the Purple Jackets serves as official hostesses of the College for all occasions.

Miss Barbara Evans, president of the organization for the past year, was named winner of the V. L. Roy award, given annually to the Purple Jacket who has been outstanding in her work.

Co-eds called to serve as Purple Jackets were Billie Albritton, Upper Elementary major from Baton Rouge; Irene Cheatwood, Business Education, Saline; Carolyn Erwin, Vocal Music, Franklinton; Diana Forbes, English, Baton Rouge.

Dorothy Gandy, Upper Elementary, Provencal; Carolyn Golemon, Business Education, Simpson; Lou Guice, Physical Education, Baton Rouge; Mary Hyde, Library Science, Pineville; LuDell Jeffers, Journalism, Vinton; Katina Manitzas, Upper Elementary, DeRidder.

Juanita Penny, Mathematics, DeRidder; Ruth Simmons, Business Education, Port Sulphur; Mary Opal Stone, Business Education, Ferriday; Shirley Temple, Business Education, DeRidder; Reeta Gayle Tullos, Mathematics, Chatham; and Nadine Wilson, Upper Elementary, Shreveport.

Eastern Tour To Run Second Bus

Directors of the recreational, educational tour through the eastern part of the United States and Canada, including Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, have chartered a second bus to meet the demands for the trip.

Dr. George Stokes of the Social Science Department is in charge of the tour. According to Dr. Stokes, the first bus has been completely filled. A second bus is chartered for the same trip, and it is practically half-filled at the present time. Persons wishing to make the tour should make reservations at once. First come, first served.

GRADUATING CLASS OF THE LAST YEAR OF THE LAST CENTURY — JUNE, 1899



Pictured above is the graduating class of 1899, the last class of the last century. The picture was sent to the ALUMNI COLUMNS by Miss Lena Pope, better known as "Mom" Lena Pope, President, Lena Pope Home, Incorporated, 1801 Camp Bowie Boulevard, Fort Worth, Texas.

Miss Pope stated in her letter: "Your picture of the 'Normal Club' in our February Alumni Columns encouraged me to seek, today, something I had longed—oh, Ages—to request of you." That request was for the publication of this picture, a request to which we gladly accede. This grand old institution belongs to all of us, from the earliest days to the present, and so does the Alumni Columns.

The identification of most of the members of the class was given as Miss Smith, Mr. Mixon, etc.; we have searched the old records to obtain the given names of each. If there is a mistake, we make our humble apologies in advance.

Beginning at the top row and coming down, reading from left to right, the class members are:

Top Row: Addie Fuller, Allie Keegan, Annie Eastman, Anna Fay, J. J. Mixon, J. E. Thompson, E. L. Miller, Cornelia McGehee

(Magee), Annie G. Green, Dean Varnado, and Mary Harrington.

Second Row (from top): Miss Wiley, Camille Smith, Dora Caspari, Lula King, Nellie Stevens (Stephens), Willie McGoldrick, Bessie Hicks, Lena Holston, Frankie Wales, and Alice Smith.

Third Row: Helen Ethridge, Amelia Gualden, Blanche Cook, Lise Hinson, J. L. Westbrook, Evelyn Babers, B. Hawkins Carroll, Isa A. Holston, and Elizabeth Barrett.

Bottom Row: Fannie Murphy, Avice Curry, John M. Murphy, Clara Bryant, Ben Johnson, Anita Goldie Loneks, J. Leroy Johnson, Emma Huff, and Wiley R. Jones.

Debate Team Closes Season

Closing their season of eight intercollegiate forensic tournaments, the N. S. C. debaters won first and second places in after-dinner speaking at the regional meet in Ft. Worth sponsored by Pi Kappa Delta, honorary national forensic fraternity.

Two first-place sweepstakes trophies were brought home by the Purple and White debaters, won in the senior men's and senior women's competition at Ada, Okla.

A second-place trophy in senior women's debate came from Jackson, Miss., and both a superior and an excellent rating in debate were earned at the Louisiana Speech Festival in Lafayette. A third place and three good ratings in debate were also awarded the group.

In individual events, the Demon speakers copped five first places, eight second places, seven third places, six good ratings, and had 22 finalists who did not place.

Weldon Walker, senior business administration major from Jonesboro, made his second year on the squad a memorable one as he accounted for three firsts, one second, two thirds, and one excellent rating in individual events. He earned first place in after-dinner speaking at the Regional tourney. Also, with his colleague, Richard Smith of Bastrop, he won an excellent rating, a good rating, a third place, and reached the quarter-finals in two tournaments in debate.

Capturing a second place and a superior rating in debate were Ruby Nell Gordy, Winnsboro English major, and Carolyn Avery, Jonesboro journalism major. Both coeds are seniors. Miss Gordy also

won two second places, an excellent rating, one third place, and was finalist five other times in individual events.

Mr. Donald Graham is coach of the College debaters.

ALUMNI Here 'n There

NOW AT UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

A note from Billy H. Brister, B. S. '19, of 1506 B East Side Drive, Austin, Texas, stated he is now in Law School at University of Texas. Brister attended night school at University of Houston and studied law while working in Houston. He recently decided to return to University of Texas to complete work for his law degree.

Brister mentioned Howard Finley, B. S. '19, and Frank Lonadier, B. S. '51, who are also doing graduate work at University of Texas. Both Finley and Lonadier are working for a Ph. D. Degree in Chemistry.

Finley has been at the university since returning from service. He entered the U. S. Navy shortly after graduation from N. S. C. He will have completed all of his course work this semester and is (Continued on page 3)

FROM A BLOCK OF MARBLE TO STATUARY



It doesn't look like anything now, and it certainly has no particular form or beauty, but every chip has a purpose and before long this block of marble will begin to take the shape and form of the idea in the mind of the man who so carefully hammers away.

This is not the first time Grant F. Kenner, of the Art Department at Northwestern State, has brought beauty and symmetry from a hunk of stone, or marble, or wood, and produced an object of art by careful and laborious chipping and rubbing and polishing.

Just what the artist has in mind has not been revealed, but we promise you to run a picture of the finished product some time this fall, assuming it will be completed by that time.

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getting his thesis ready for approval. His address is 209 Archway, Austin, Texas.

Lonadier, who entered University of Texas after graduation from N. S. C. in 1954, is living at 1800 East Avenue, Austin, Texas.

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DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH

Dr. Gordon Gunter, A. B. '27, has recently been appointed director of the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory at Ocean Springs, Mississippi. Before transferring to his present location, Dr. Gunter was working with the Institute of Marine Science of the University of Texas at Port Aransas, Texas.

The Gulf Coast Research Laboratory is operated by the Board of Trustees of the Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi. An Advisory Board of the Mississippi Academy of Sciences works with the Board of Trustees on Laboratory affairs.

This summer L. S. U. is collaborating in the program.

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KEEP THE COLUMNS COMING

Mrs. William E. Branch, Jr., of 2915 Renshaw, Apt. No. 1, Houston 23, Texas, writes that she has been receiving the Columns since graduation and wants to continue receiving it. "Keep the Columns coming," stated Mrs. Branch.

She is the former Ethelyn Wanda Cain, B. S. '51, of Pitkin. Mrs. Branch is employed as a teacher in the Houston city schools.

Mr. Branch, a former student at the College, is an Industrial Engineering student at the University of Houston. He served in the U. S. Navy after leaving Northwestern State College.

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CONTACTED BY AMATEUR RADIO

Mrs. N. E. Bell, the former Marie Basco of Boyce, ex '51, and her husband are living at 811 North Spruce Street, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Mr. Bell is in the Air Force at Ent Air Force Base. He is a radio operator and technician at the MARS Radio Station, having been transferred to the Air Force after serving four years in the U. S. Army.

Contact with the Bells was made by Mr. Charles A. Ross, Director of Testing Service at N. S. C., over his amateur short-wave radio set. Mr. Bell is also an amateur radio operator, and his station call is W Zero AYD.

The Bells are planning to visit N. S. C. the next time they visit Louisiana. Mrs. Bell was particularly eager to receive the *Alumni Columns*.

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PLAYS LEADING ROLE

Miss Wanda Dolores Sutherland, B. S. '52, in music, recently played the leading role in an original musical comedy at Chanin Theater in New York City. The musical comedy was produced by The Shell Playhouse.

Miss Sutherland was one of the featured soloists in the Spring Concert at the Sert Room of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. She sang the signature number, "May The Good Lord Bless and Keep You."

A graduate of Westlake High School in 1948 and N. S. C. in 1952, Miss Sutherland entered the U. S. Navy for a two-year period. She was promoted to Ensign and was a Lieutenant (j.g.) when she

received her discharge in 1954. She has been employed by the Shell Chemical Company of New York since February, 1955.

While at N. S. C. Miss Sutherland was the recipient of a Dougherty Foundation Scholarship.

Baseball Team Has 11-3-1

Record; Tied for GSC Lead

Coach Alvin "Cracker" Brown's Demon Baseballers moved out in front of the Gulf States Conference race by defeating the Louisiana Tech Bulldogs by a score of 5-2, and dropped back into a tie with Tech and McNeese the next day when the Demons blew a 5-run lead to Northeast at Monroe to lose the game by a 10-6 score.

On the same day Louisiana Tech and McNeese won over Louisiana College and Southeastern, respectively, to place all three teams in a tie for first place.

The Demons have played 15 games to this date and have lost only three games. One game (Centenary) ended in a tie (8-8) at the end of eleven innings.

The record for the season shows the Demon defeated Southeastern Oklahoma in two games, 12-5 and 3-2; split two games with Southern Illinois University, 0-2 and 9-4;

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The mile relay team—consisting of Charles Hennigan, Don Hill, Jack Rogers, and Harold Smith—who broke the NSC Relays record as the Demons copped the Relays for the fourth consecutive year. The time established by this quartet was 3:21.3.

As a team, they run their laps in the reverse order in which they are pictured. Smith is lead off man and Hennigan is the anchor man.

Baseball Team—

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and defeated Adrian College in three successive games, 11-6, 6-1, and 9-3.

They defeated Centenary 3-2; and in conference games the Demons defeated Southeastern, 6-5, and McNeese, 6-5; lost to Southwestern, 1-1; defeated Louisiana College, 15-1, and Louisiana Tech, 5-2; and lost to North-east, 10-6.

Despite the loss of two pitchers and two second-basemen, the Demons have been demonstrating good team play and the ability to hit well in the clutches. The pitchers lost to the Demons were Gordon Zabasky, who signed a professional contract, and Douglas Logan, just returned from service, who developed a sore arm. Second-basemen Dick Brown and Spanky McCoy are both out on account of injuries.

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JAMES E. MORELAND, JR.

James E. Moreland, Jr., of Homer, age two, is pictured on his tricycle as he gets his exercise. James is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Moreland. The mother is the former Mary Beth Buckley, B. S. '51, of Natchitoches, and Mr. Moreland is formerly of Poughatun. He received the B. S. Degree in 1950.

After graduation, Mr. Moreland served four years with the United States Navy. He and Mrs. Moreland moved to Homer when his period of service ended.

Cupid's Doings

MISS MARIANNE JEANNE HARWELL, of Shreveport, a student at the College, and Bobby Wray Poythress, of Shreveport, were married on April 21 in the St. John's Catholic Church of Shreveport, with Rev. K. A. Nowlan, S. J., officiating.

The young couple will make their home in Shreveport.

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Miss Fredia Bullard of Plainview, Texas, and JAMES FRANKLIN ADDINGTON, JR., ex '17, were married in the First Baptist Church of Plainview, on April 11.

The groom is now employed as a petroleum engineer in Ft. Worth, Texas, where the couple will reside.

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MISS BILLIE FINCHER, of Monroe, B. S. '55, and 2nd LT. OWEN ROY PHILLIPS, of Glenmora, B. M. E. '51, were married on March 31, at the Parkview Baptist Church of Monroe, with the Rev. H. L. Sampson officiating at the ceremony.

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MISS CHARLOTTE LOUISE SHEPARD, of Hodge, ex '52, and Bill L. Harrison of Shreveport, were married on April 22 in the Hodge Methodist Church, with the Rev. G. A. Morgan officiating.

THE PARKER WIGGINS FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Parker Wiggins, 139 W. Livingston Place, Metairie, Louisiana, are pictured with their children, Patty, age 5½, and Randy, age one year.

Mr. Wiggins, B. S. '41, is formerly from Waterproof and Natchitoches. He was a member of the 1939 untied, undefeated football team and was selected as Little All-American.

Mrs. Wiggins is the former Leila Mae Dupree, B. S. '41, of New Orleans. The Wigginses have been living in Metairie since the end of World War II.

Mr. Harrison has recently completed duty with the United States Marines. The couple will live in Shreveport, where Harrison is employed by an insurance company.

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MISS JULIA CASH, B. S. '50, of 906 N. Fourth St., West Monroe, and Richard Nalton Smith of Centralia, Illinois, and Cape Girardeau, Missouri, were united in marriage on March 25 at Greenville, Mississippi, the Reverend D. I. Young officiating at the nuptials.

The bride is presently teaching commerce at the West Monroe High School and is doing graduate work at N. S. C. Mr. Smith is connected with the Hollywood Brands Candy Company. He attended Murray State Teachers College.

the former Ann Colvin, 3-year diploma, School of Nursing, 1954. She is formerly from Bernice. Mr. Carrigan is a professional umpire with the Texas League Baseball Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert L. Joyner, 837 Sewanee Place, Shreveport, have announced the arrival of a daughter, Emilane, on March 17. Mrs. Joyner is the former Virginia Dupree, B. S. '49. The Joyners have another daughter, Ginellen, who is three and one-half years old. They recently moved from Baton Rouge and are enjoying their new home in Shreveport.

Mr. Joyner received his M. S. Degree from Louisiana State University last year and is operating his own business, Joyner's Pest Control.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Walters, 1306 Thirteenth Street, Lake Charles, have announced the arrival of a lovely daughter, Sharon Renee, on March 10. Mrs. Walters is the former Rita Shaw, B. S. '51, of Elizabeth.

Mr. and Mrs. Walters have another daughter, Judy, who claims the new arrival looks just like her.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Herve Sam Carrigan, 51 Felix Street, Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, are happy to announce the arrival of their first child, a son, Christopher Victor, on February 7. Mrs. Carrigan is

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